

Dimondale/Windsor Wastewater Treatment Plant

SEWER BOARD MINUTES

July 15, 2010

7:00 p.m. Meeting called to order by Chairperson Blair.

Roll Call

Present: Blair, Chappell (arrived 7:03 p.m.), Reznick, Slucter, Stiles

Absent: none

Also Present: Denise Parisian, Village Manager; Mike Spitler, WWTP Operator; Betsy Kelly, Recording Secretary.

Treasurer's Report/Bills

Motion by Reznick, second Slucter, to accept the treasurer's report for June 17, 2010 as presented. Motion carried. Motion by Slucter, second Stiles, to accept the treasurer's report for July 15, 2010 as presented. Motion carried. Motion by Reznick, second Slucter, to approve payment of \$27,701.60 for June 17, 2010 bills. Motion carried. Motion by Reznick, second Chappell, to approve payment of \$15,522.72 for July 15, 2010 bills. Motion carried.

Minutes

Motion by Reznick, second Chappell, to approve the minutes of the May 20, 2010 regular meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Open to the Public

No comments were received.

Superintendent's Report

Spitler reported on the following: installation of a new booster pump for the well; completion of stump grinding on the outfall pipe easement; development of a more detailed collection system map by Wolverine Engineers for improved accuracy in bidding of the televising project; and sludge application in August 2010. Spitler also noted that he has been tracking the electric meter numbers since March 2010 and has noticed a steady decline in the power factor but because the plant is now on a summer rate there has been no reduction in the billing. Spitler questioned the direction the Board would like to take and suggested a formal energy audit by a professional company if further action is desired. The members directed Spitler to obtain quotes for an energy audit.

Old Business

No old business was presented.

New Business

1. Blair introduced a request from Frank Nerat to reduce the usage billing for Blue Water Village apartments due to financial hardship. Nerat explained that the complex has a 20% vacancy rate at the moment and of the 37 units, only two are occupied by families. Discussion followed regarding the basis for the rate currently billed; previous requests for relief from other users; the lack of any provision in the ordinance to establish a different charge for this development; the inequities of a flat fee system; and the sewer plant's declining commercial customer base. The members regretfully informed Mr. Nerat that no relief could be granted.

Open to the Public

No comments were received.

Motion by Reznick second Slucter, to adjourn. Motion carried at 7:42 p.m.